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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :) Examiner: Wempeng Cheng
HIROSHI KAJIWARA :) Group Art Unit: 2624
Appn. No.: 09/827,925 :)
Filed: April 9, 2001 :)
For: IMAGE ENCODING :)
BASED ON JUDGEMENT ON :)
PREDICTION ERROR : January 23, 2003

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL SUBMISSION

Sir:

On December 16, 2002, Applicant filed forms entitled Assent of Assignee to Reissue Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.172 and Assignee Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) in the Patent and Trademark Office, with a Response To Office Action And Petition For Extension Of Time. Both of the forms were properly executed by an individual authorized to act on behalf of the Assignee of the present application.

In the Response, Applicant noted that the above-mentioned signed forms did not identify the serial number of the present application, although they did identify Applicant's name and the title, and the fact that the forms are directed to a reissue application of U.S. Patent No. 6,028,963.

Nonetheless, to even further evidence that the Assignee assents to the

present reissue application, enclosed herewith as a supplement to the above-mentioned forms are new Assignee Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) and Assent of Assignee To Reissue Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.172 forms executed by a person authorized to act on behalf of the Assignee, and bearing the serial number (Application No. 09/827,925) of the present application.

During a conversation between Special Programs Examiner Krista Zelle and one of Applicant's representatives on January 22, 2003, Ms. Zelle indicated that the new forms (which state explicitly that the individual who executed them is empowered to sign on behalf of the Assignee) would be accepted by the Patent and Trademark Office.

Accordingly, entry of the enclosed forms into the record is respectfully requested, as is acknowledgment of the same.

Early passage to issue of the present reissue application is also respectfully requested.

If any issues remain outstanding, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact Applicant's undersigned representative.

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ASSIGNEE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73 (b)

Sir:

The undersigned, as representative of CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA, certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, title to United States Letters Patent No. 6,028,963 is in the name of CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA. This title was evidenced by an assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 13, 1997, at Reel No. 8614, Frame No. 0740.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign on behalf of CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA.

CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA

December 28, 2002

Date



Nobuyoshi Tanaka Ph.D.
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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO REISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.172

Sir:

CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA, a corporation and assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in United States Letters Patent No. 6,028,963, hereby assents to the above-identified application to reissue such Letters Patent.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign on behalf of the assignee.

CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA

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